Amendments to the Specification

After the title, insert the following new paragraph:

[New] Cross-Reference to Related Applications

[New] This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 10/379,746, filed on March 5, 2003, now U.S. Patent No. 6,806,313.

Please replace paragraphs [0027], [0029], [0032] and [0041] (paragraph numbering as published) with the following amended paragraphs:

[0027] This data indicates that by utilizing a mixture of siloxanes and ethylenically unsaturated saturated amides and/or oxidized polyethylene, in combination, provided performance equal to that of erucamide.

[0029] The resulting lined caps are allowed to age at room temperature for a minimum of 1 week before being subjected to testing (of removal torque required to remove caps from PET bottles). The caps are applied to 500 ml PET bottles filled with carbonated water using a commercial application machine. The capped bottles are stored at both cold and room temperature, and removal torque measured is after given storage periods. Results are presented in Table 3 below, with Column A representing erucamide-free liner formulation and Column B representing erucamide-containing formulation, with units presented as parts per hundreds of resin (PHR).

TABLE 3

Liner Formulation	A	В
EVA-2	100	100
AO	0.1	0.1
BLUE	0.8	0.8
ERUCAMIDE	0	1.0

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Si 4	0.8	0
Si 2	1.3	0
SR	0.3	0
OXP	0.8	0
Removal Torque, in-lbs.		
24 Hrs. @ 4°C	13.8	15.3
1 week @ 4°C	14.3	16.2
1 week @ 23°C	11.1	11.0

This data indicates that the use of mixture of siloxanes, ethylenically unsaturated saturated, amides and oxidized polyethylene, in combination does provide torque removal performance equal to or better than that of erucamide-containing cap liner formulations.

[0032] Compositions containing a siloxane in conjunction with an ethylenically unsaturated saturated amide and/or an oxidized polyethylene slip aid gave removal torques comparable to compositions containing erucamide. Stringing was judge to be commercially acceptable by industry standards. However, a composition using a siloxane alone without an unsaturated a saturated amide and/or oxidized polyethylene gave unacceptably high removal torque and stringing.

[0041] By utilizing a mixture of siloxanes and ethylenically **meaturated saturated amides and/or oxidized polyethylene, in combination, torque removal performance equal to that of erucamide was obtained by compositions of the present invention.